



From exotic hadrons to light nuclei

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Graz Center of Physics (GCP)



NAWI Graz:

Cooperation between TU Graz & Uni Graz

- 36 institutes, ~6000 students:
Bioscience, Chemistry,
Earth, space & environmental science,
Mathematics, Physics
- Common bachelor & master programs
(Physics: ~500 physics, ~200 teacher
students)

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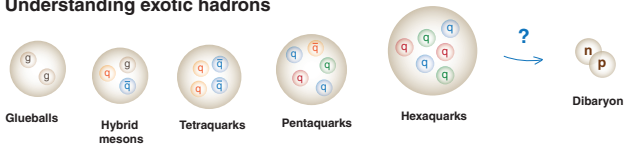
will house TU Graz & Uni Graz Physics departments



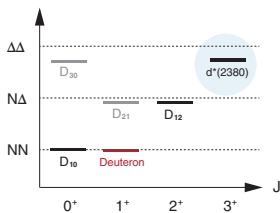
- On Uni Graz Campus,
next to current physics building
- 380 M€ investment, biggest university
construction project in Styria in several decades
- 25.000 m² lab, office & lecture hall space
for 600 staff members & 1700 students;
lecture halls also ideal for big conferences
- Construction starting now, to be completed by 2030
- Theoretical Particle Physics: one of ~7 research groups

Motivation

- Understanding exotic hadrons

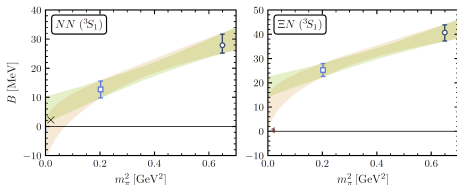


- Light dibaryons Dyson, Xuong 1964



Adlarson et al., PRL 106 (2011), PRL 112 (2014),
Bashkanov, Brodsky, Clement, PLB 727 (2013),
Gal, Garcilazo, PRL 111(2013), ...

- Strange dibaryons NPLQCD, HALQCD, USQCD, PACS-CS, ...



Illa et al., PRD 103 (2021)

- Nucleons in nuclei?

Short-range correlations, EMC effect?

CLAS: Duer et al., Nature 560 (2018), Schmidt et al., Nature 578 (2020)

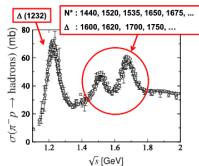
Theory tools

Functional methods

(DSEs & BSEs, FRG, ...)

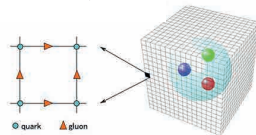


Amplitude analyses



EXO HAD
EXOTIC HADRONS TOPICAL COLLABORATION

Lattice QCD



Phenomenological models



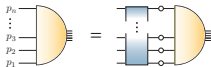
Effective theories

(ChPT, ...)



Functional methods

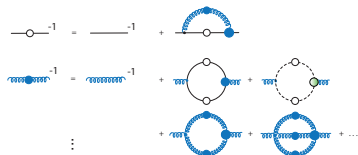
- Hadronic **bound-state equations** (Bethe-Salpeter & Faddeev eqs)



“QFT analogue of Schrödinger eq.”

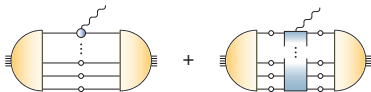
- hadron masses & “wave functions”
- **spectroscopy calculations**

- Ingredients: **QCD’s n-point functions**, Satisfy quantum eqs. of motion (DSEs)

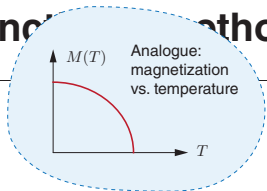


- Dynamical mass generation, gluon mass gap, confinement, ...

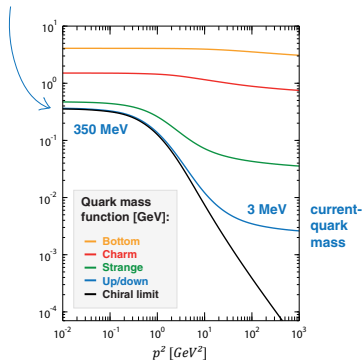
- **Structure calculations:** form factors, PDFs, GPDs, TMDs, two-photon processes, ...



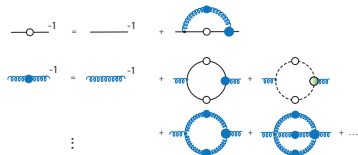
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"constituent-quark mass"



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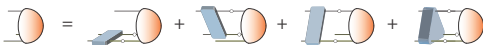
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Baryons

Three-quark BSE (Faddeev equation) for baryons:

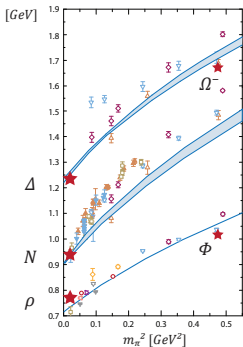
GE, Alkofer, Nicmorus, Krassnigg, PRL 104 (2010)



2-body kernel:
fixed in meson sector

3-body kernel:

Leading diagram (3-gluon vertex) vanishes by color trace, higher-order diagrams small (?)
2-quark correlations dominant?



- Analogous results for many **form factors**

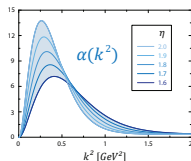
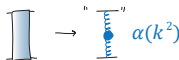
Review: GE, Sanchis-Alepuz, Williams, Alkofer, Fischer, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 91 (2016)

- Relativistically, nucleon also has **p waves!**

L = 0

L = 1

Rainbow-ladder



Scale set by f_π ,
shape parameter \rightarrow bands

Maris, Tandy, PRC 60 (1999)

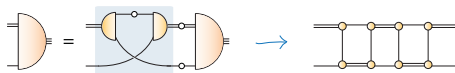
see also:

Qin, Roberts, Schmidt, PRD 97 (2018)

Diquark correlations

- Quark-diquark** (two-body) equation

Oettel et al., PRC 58 (1998), GE et al., Ann. Phys. 323 (2008), Cloet et al., FBS 46 (2009), Segovia et al., PRL 115 (2015)



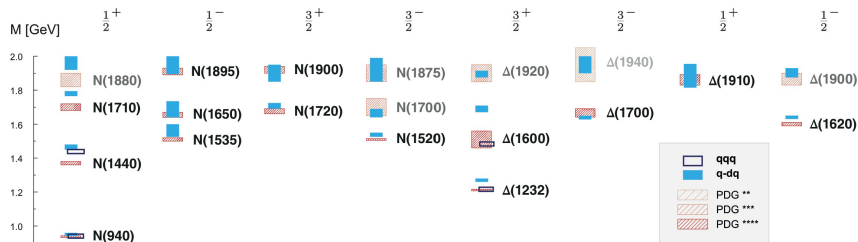
Diquark clustering in baryons?

Barabanov et al., Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 116 (2021)



- Three-quark** and **quark-diquark** results very similar

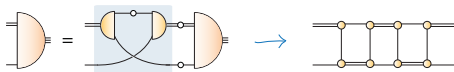
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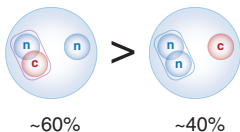
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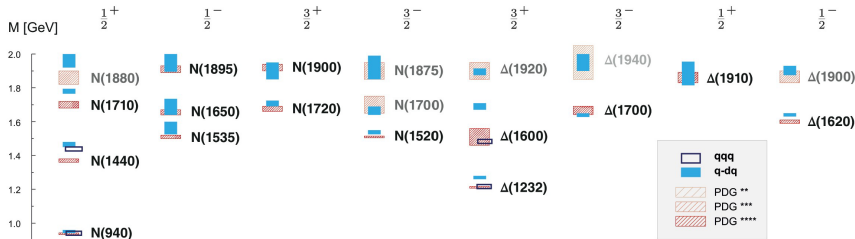
Heavy baryons

Torcato, Arriaga, GE, Peña, FBS 64 (2023)



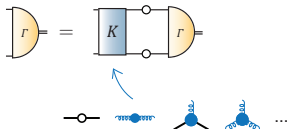
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Towards ab-initio

- **Goal:** go towards ab-initio calculations by calculating **higher n-point functions**



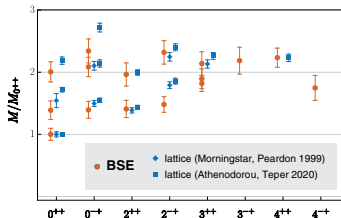
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 Williams, Fischer, Heupel, PRD 93 (2016),
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 Huber, PRD 101 (2020),
 Qin, Roberts, Chin. Phys. Lett. 38 (2021),
 GE, Pawłowski, Silva, PRD 104 (2021),
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truncation error:

1 60% **2** 10% **3** 4%

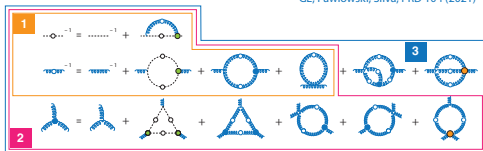
- **Glueball spectrum** agrees with lattice QCD

Huber, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz, EPJ C 80 (2020), EPJ C 81 (2021)

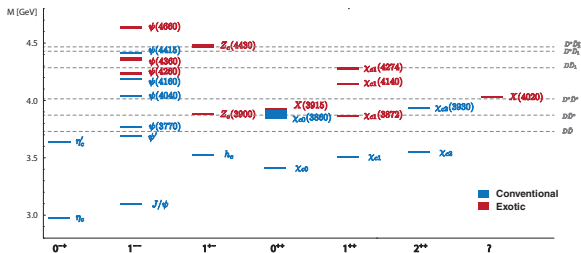


- **Coupled Yang-Mills DSEs**

Huber, PRD 101 (2020),
 GE, Pawłowski, Silva, PRD 104 (2021)



Exotic mesons



- Several tetraquark candidates in **charmonium spectrum**: $X(3872)$, $X(3915)$, $Z_c(3900)$, ...
- Z states cannot be $c\bar{c}$ since they carry charge
- Recent additions: all-charm $X(6900)$, open-charm T_{cc}^+ , ...
- Oldest tetraquark candidates: **light scalar mesons**

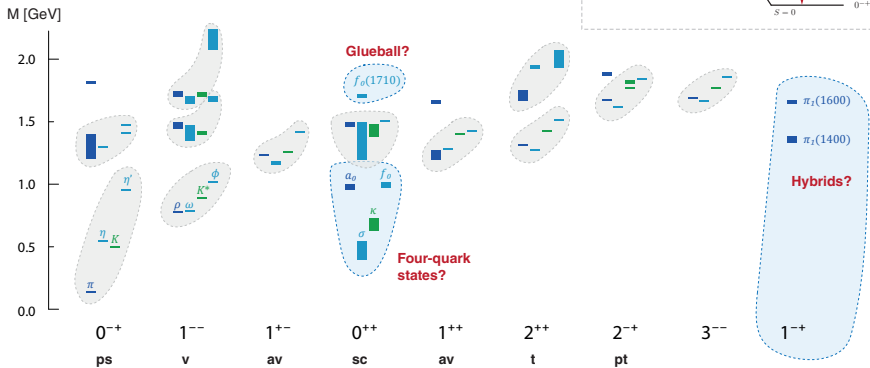
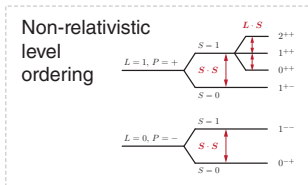
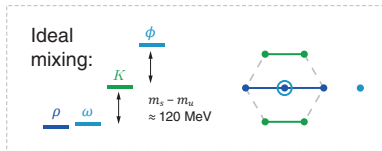
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- Ali, Lange, Stone,
PPNP 97 (2017), 1706.00610
- Olsen, Skwarnicki, Zieminska,
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Light exotic mesons

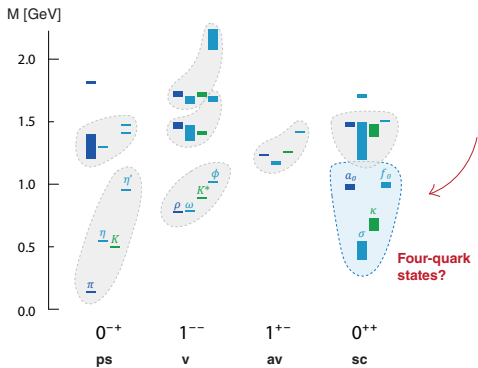
Light meson spectrum
(PDG 2020)



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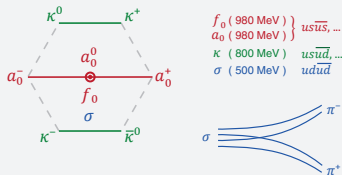
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• Diquark-antidiquark?

Explains mass ordering & decay widths

Jaffe 1977, Close, Tornqvist 2002,
Maiani, Polosa, Riquer 2004



• Meson molecules?

Weinstein, Isgur 1982, 1990; Close, Isgur, Kumano 1993

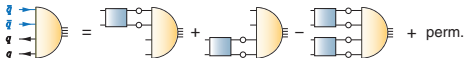
• Non- $q\bar{q}$ nature supported by various approaches

Pelaez, Phys. Rept. 658 (2016)

Four-quark states

- Light scalar mesons (σ , κ , a_0 , f_0) as **four-quark states**:

GE, Fischer, Heupel, PLB 753 (2016)



$$\Gamma(p, q, k, P) = \sum_i f_i(p^2, q^2, k^2, \{\omega_j\}, \{\eta_j\}) \tau_i(p, q, k, P) \otimes \text{Color} \otimes \text{Flavor}$$

9 Lorentz invariants:

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$$\omega_3 = p \cdot q \quad \eta_3 = k \cdot P$$

256 Dirac-Lorentz tensors

2 Color tensors:

$$3 \otimes \bar{3}, \quad 6 \otimes \bar{6} \text{ or}$$

$$1 \otimes 1, \quad 8 \otimes 8$$

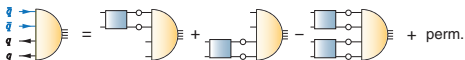
(Fierz-equivalent)

	$\dim K$	memory
$K \psi_i = \lambda_i \psi_i$		
Mesons	10^3	20 MB
Baryons	10^8	10^7 GB
Tetraquarks	10^{13}	10^{18} GB

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- Group momentum variables into multiplets of **permutation group S4**:
can switch off groups of variables without destroying symmetries

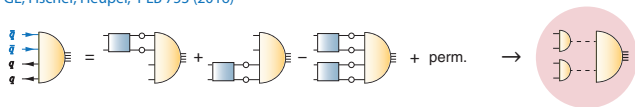
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$$f_i(\mathcal{S}_0, \nabla, \blacklozenge, \circ)$$

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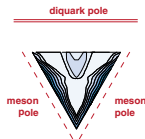
- BSE dynamically generates **meson poles** in BS amplitude:

$$f_i(\mathcal{S}_0, \nabla, \blacktriangle, \circ) \rightarrow 1500 \text{ MeV}$$

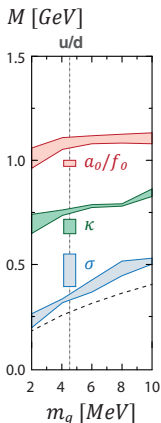
$$f_i(\mathcal{S}_0, \nabla, \blacktriangle, \circ) \rightarrow 1500 \text{ MeV}$$

$$f_i(\mathcal{S}_0, \nabla, \blacktriangle, \circ) \rightarrow 1200 \text{ MeV}$$

$$f_i(\mathcal{S}_0, \nabla, \blacktriangle, \circ) \rightarrow \mathbf{350 \text{ MeV !}}$$



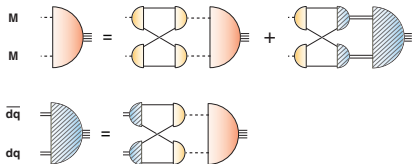
- “Light scalar mesons” look like **meson molecules**, diquark-antidiquark components almost negligible. Lightness is inherited from pseudoscalar Goldstone bosons!



Four-quark states

Two-body formulation: **meson-meson / diquark-antidiquark**, follows from four-quark eq. (analogue of quark-diquark for baryons)

[Heupel, GE, Fischer, PLB 718 \(2012\)](#)

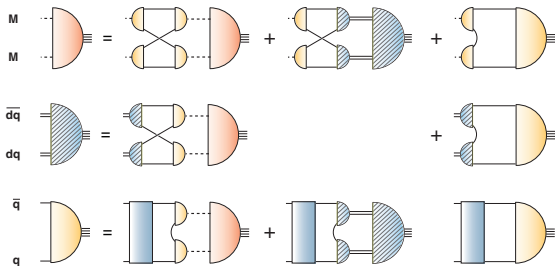


- Interaction by **quark exchange**
- System 'wants' to be **meson-meson-like** (no diagonal $dq\text{-}\bar{d}q$ term)
- Similar results as in 4-quark approach: $m_\sigma \sim 400$ MeV, etc.

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Include **mixing with $q\bar{q}$** :
 $\pi\pi$ still dominant

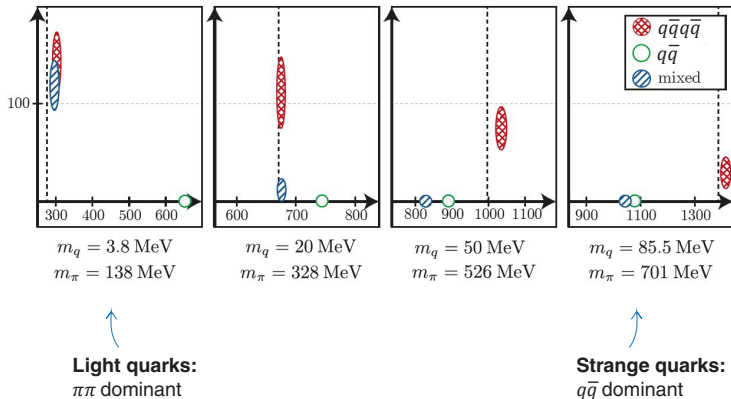
Santowsky, GE, Fischer, Wallbott,
 Williams, PRD 102 (2020)

[MeV]	ground state mass	first excitation
$\pi\pi$	416 ± 26	970 ± 130
$\pi\pi + 0^+0^+$	416 ± 26	970 ± 130
$q\bar{q}$	667 ± 2	1036 ± 8
$\pi\pi + q\bar{q}$	472 ± 22	1080 ± 280
$\pi\pi + 0^+0^+ + q\bar{q}$	456 ± 24	1110 ± 110

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Four-quark vs. $q\bar{q}$ dominance

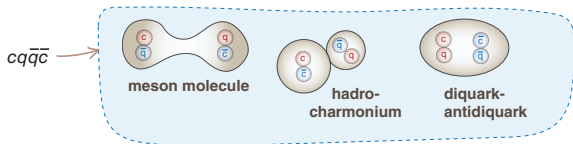
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Four-quark states

Heavy-light 4q states

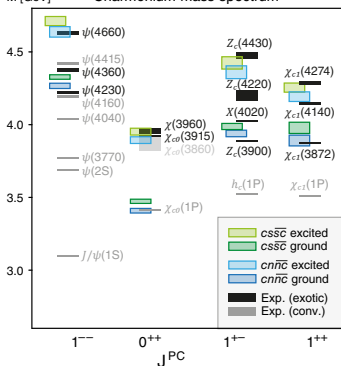
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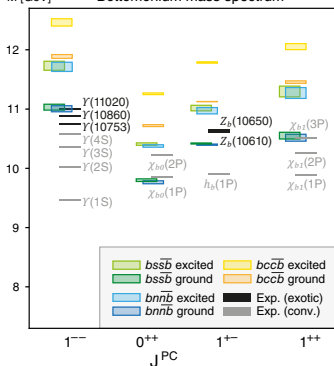
Hidden charm & bottom states

Hoffer, GE, Fischer,
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M [GeV] Charmonium mass spectrum



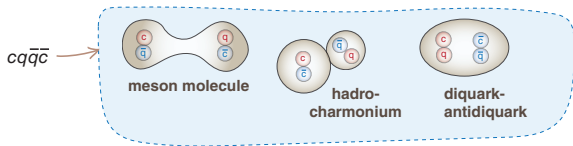
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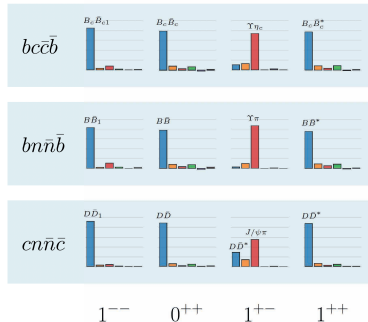


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Wave-function components:

- $1^{--}, 0^{++}, 1^{++}$ dominated by molecular component
- 1^{+-} is mixture, hadrocharmonium is strongest



Four-quark states

Open charm states: $cc\bar{q}\bar{q}$

Hoffer, GE, Fischer, in preparation

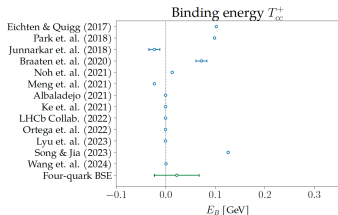
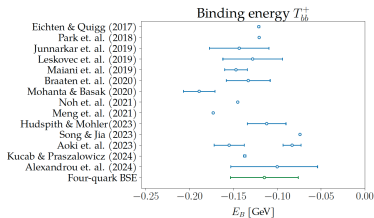
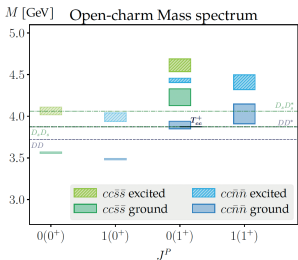
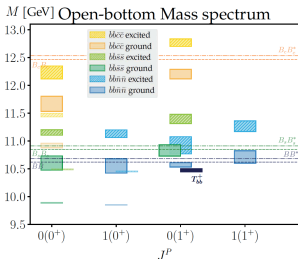
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meson molecule



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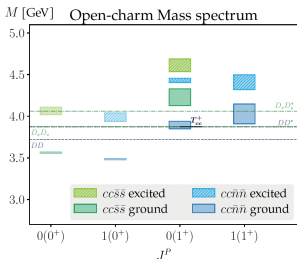
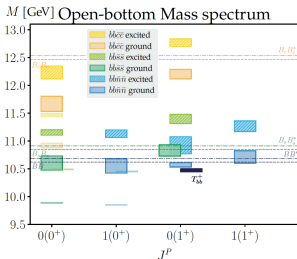
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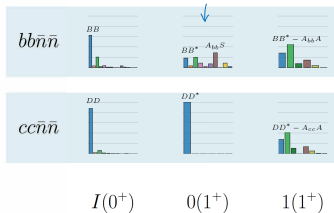
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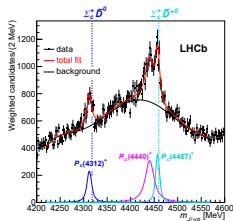


T_{cc} sits on top of threshold: pure molecule;
 T_{bb} is mixture of molecule and diquark-antidiquark



$I(J^P)$	Physical components						
	$1 \otimes 1$		$3 \otimes 3$	$8 \otimes 8$		$6 \otimes 6$	
	f_0	f_4	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_5	
$1(0^+)$	$cc\bar{q}\bar{q}$	DD	D^*D^*	$A_{cc}A$	DD	D^*D^*	$S_{cc}S$
	$bb\bar{q}\bar{q}$	BB	B^*B^*	$A_{bb}A$	BB	B^*B^*	$S_{bb}S$
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	$cc\bar{q}\bar{q}$	DD^*	D^*D^*	$A_{cc}S$	DD^*	D^*D^*	$S_{cc}A$
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	$bc\bar{q}\bar{q}$	BD^*	B^*D^*	$S_{bc}A$	BD^*	B^*D^*	$A_{bc}S$
$1(1^+)$	$cc\bar{q}\bar{q}$	DD^*	-	$A_{cc}A$	DD^*	-	-
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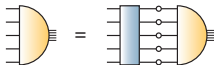
Pentaquarks?



Aaij et al., PRL 112 (2019)

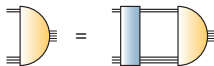
- **5-body equation:** in progress

GE, Peña, Torres, in preparation

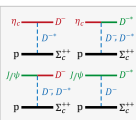
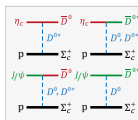
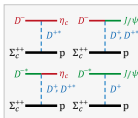
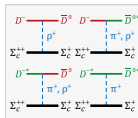
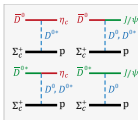
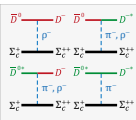
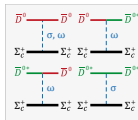


- **Meson-baryon equation with hadronic exchanges**

GE, Lourenco, Peña, Stadler, Torres, in preparation

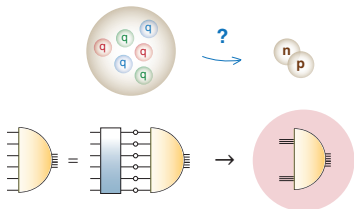


... all couplings calculated dynamically



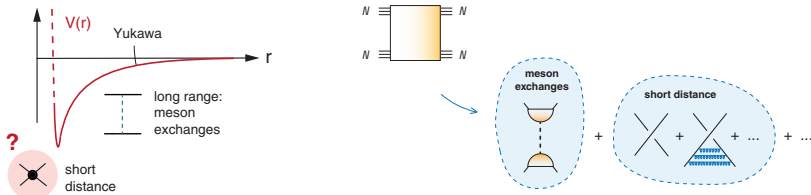
Nucleons in nuclei?

Transition from quarks & gluons to **light nuclei**:

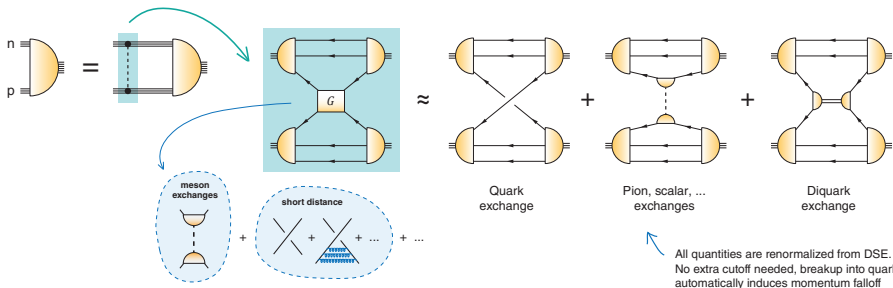


- Relativistic structure of **deuteron**?
- Exotic dibaryons, hypernuclei, short-range correlations, EMC effect ...

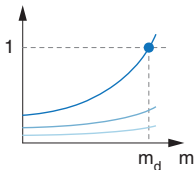
Microscopic origins of **short-range nuclear force**?



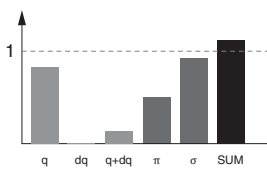
Deuteron



Eigenvalue (sketch)



Eigenvalue at $m = m_d$



Diquark exchange is repulsive, almost cancels quark exchange!

preliminary

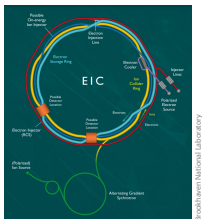
Arriaga, GE, Nunes, Peña, in preparation

OAM composition:

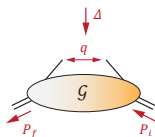


The deuteron is relativistic!

Hadron structure

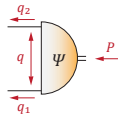


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Hadron-to-hadron correlator

$$\mathcal{G}(z, P, \Delta) = \langle P_f | T \Phi(z) \mathcal{O} \Phi(0) | P_i \rangle$$



Bethe-Salpeter WF:

vacuum-to-hadron correlator

$$\Psi(z, P) = \langle 0 | T \Phi(z) \Phi(0) | P \rangle$$

Quark-gluon structure of hadrons and nuclei

- Flavor structure of proton, pion, kaon
- Spin and orbital angular momentum
- 3D imaging of nucleon and nuclei

Encoded in **parton distributions**, defined on the light front

	$\mathcal{G}(q, P, \Delta = 0)$	$\mathcal{G}(q, P, \Delta)$	$\Psi(q, P)$
$\int dq^-$	TMD	GTMD	LFWF
$\int d^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp \int dq^-$	PDF	GPD	PDA

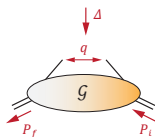
Diehl, Phys. Rept. 388 (2003)

Belitsky, Radyushkin, Phys. Rept. 418 (2005)

Lorcé, Pasquini, Vanderhaeghen, JHEP 05 (2011)

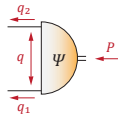
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Hadron structure



Hadron-to-hadron correlator

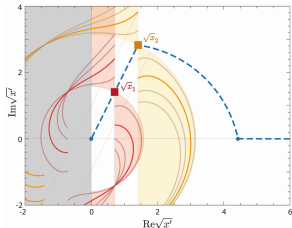
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Bethe-Salpeter WF:

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$$\Psi(z, P) = \langle 0 | \mathcal{T} \Phi(z) \Phi(0) | P \rangle$$



New method to compute
light-front wave functions
via contour deformations

Editors' Suggestion:

GE, Ferreira, Stadler, PRD 105 (2022)

	$\mathcal{G}(q, P, \Delta = 0)$	$\mathcal{G}(q, P, \Delta)$	$\Psi(q, P)$
$\int dq^-$	TMD	GTMD	LFWF
$\int d^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp \int dq^-$	PDF	GPD	PDA

Diehl, Phys. Rept. 388 (2003)

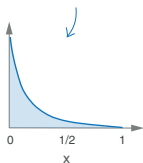
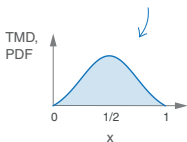
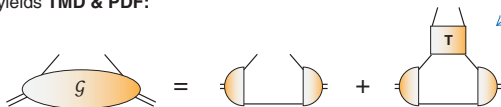
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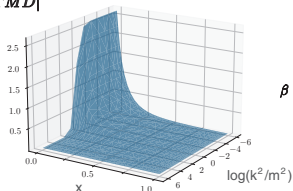
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TMDs

Same technique applied to hadron-to-hadron correlator yields **TMD & PDF**:



$|TMD|$



$$\beta = 4, \gamma = 4$$

- Four-point **T matrix** solved from BSE \Rightarrow all **ladder exchanges**

$$|T| = \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right| + \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right| + \left| \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right| + \dots$$

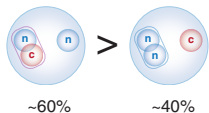
- Analogue in **light-front formalism**: include infinitely many Fock states



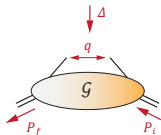
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Outlook

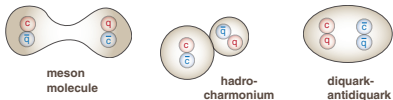
- **Hyperons and charmed baryons:**
Spectroscopy, form factors, structure



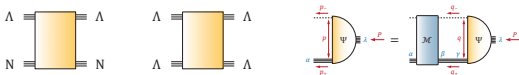
- **Hadron structure:**
PDFs, GPDs, TMDs



- **Exotic hadrons:** can quantify strength of different internal components



- **Dibaryons & baryon-baryon interactions**

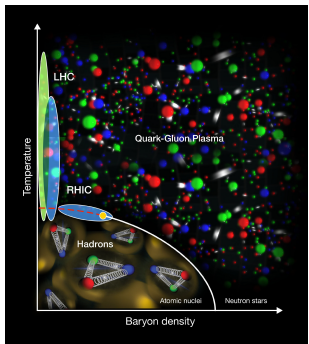


Spectroscopy, form factors, PDFs, scattering amplitudes

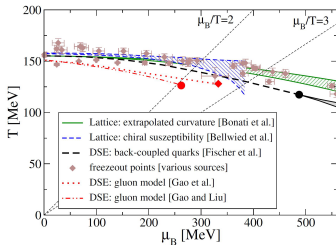
Thank you!

Backup slides

QCD phase diagram



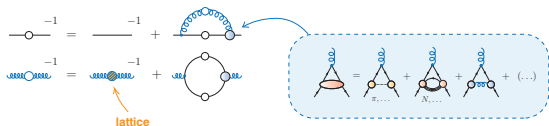
Search for **critical endpoint (CEP)** from DSEs & lattice:



Fischer, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 105 (2019)

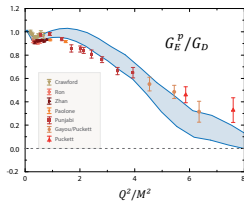
Location of CEP sensitive to **baryons**?

GE, Fischer, Welzbacher, PRD 93 (2016)

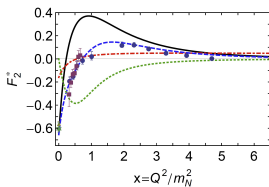


Baryon structure

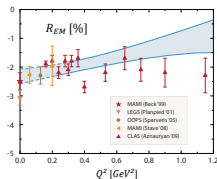
Nucleon electromagnetic FFs
GE, PRD 84 (2011)



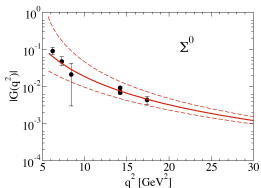
Roper em. transition FFs
Segovia et al., PRL 115 (2015)



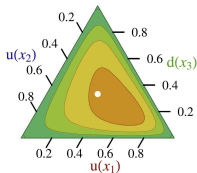
Δ em. transition FFs
GE, Nicmorus, PRD 85 (2012)



Timelike em. strangeness FFs
Ramalho, Peña, PRD 101 (2020)



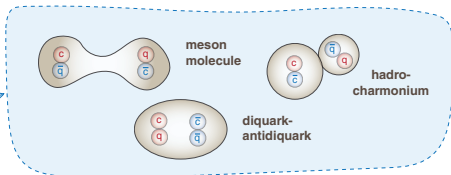
Distribution amplitudes
Mezrag, Segovia, Chang, Roberts, PLB 783 (2018)



Four-quark states

- Heavy-light **four-quark states**:
what is their internal decomposition?

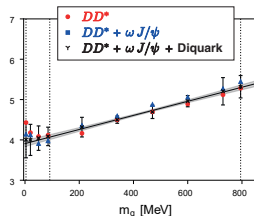
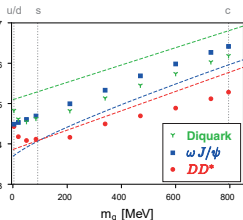
$cq\bar{q}\bar{c}$



- **Four-quark BSE**: all mix together

$M_{cq\bar{q}\bar{c}}$ [GeV]
in $X(3872)$
channel

--- $m_\omega + m_A$
--- $m_\omega + m_{J/\psi}$
--- $m_D + m_{D^*}$

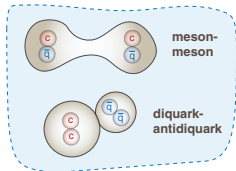


Wallbott, GE, Fischer,
PRD 100 (2019),
PRD 102 (2020)

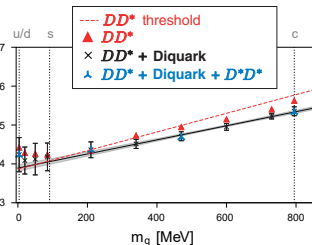
$cq\bar{q}\bar{c} \rightarrow$ strong meson-meson
component: DD^* for
 $X(3872)$, $Z_c(3900)$

Four-quark states

- Open-charm states: $cc\bar{q}\bar{q}$



Experimental candidate:
 T_{cc}^+ , $0(1^+)$, 3875 MeV

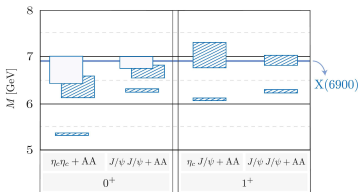


Wallbott, GE, Fischer,
PRD 102 (2020)

- All-charm state: $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$
 $X(6900)$

Results so far available
in two-body approach,
1st radial excitation?

Santowsky, Fischer, EPJC 82 (2022)

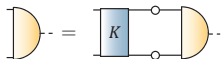


meson-meson
dominated
significant diquark
admixture

Diquark correlations

Mesons and diquarks closely related through BSE

Maris, FBS 32 (2002)

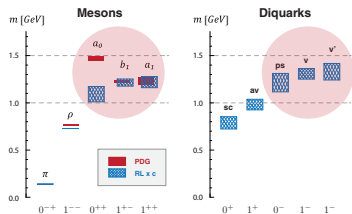


Lowest-lying diquarks are dominant for ground-state octet & decuplet baryons

pseudoscalar mesons \Leftrightarrow **scalar diquarks** (~ 0.8 GeV)
vector mesons \Leftrightarrow **axialvector diquarks** (~ 1 GeV)

Higher-lying diquarks are subleading, but contribute to excited states & remaining channels

scalar mesons \Leftrightarrow **pseudoscalar diquarks** (~ 1.2 GeV)
axialvector mesons \Leftrightarrow **vector diquarks** (~ 1.3 GeV)



In RL, these are too strongly bound; simulate beyond-RL effects by (one) strength parameter c

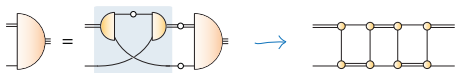
Roberts, Chang, Cloet, Roberts, FBS 51 (2011)

GE, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz, PRD 94 (2016)

Diquark correlations

- Quark-diquark (two-body) equation**

Oettel et al., PRC 58 (1998), GE et al., Ann. Phys. 323 (2008), Cloet et al., FBS 46 (2009), Segovia et al., PRL 115 (2015), Chen et al., PRD 97 (2018)



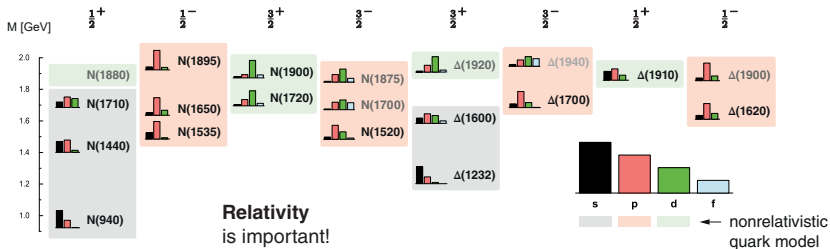
Diquark clustering in baryons?

Barabanov et al., Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 116 (2021)



- Three-quark and quark-diquark results very similar**

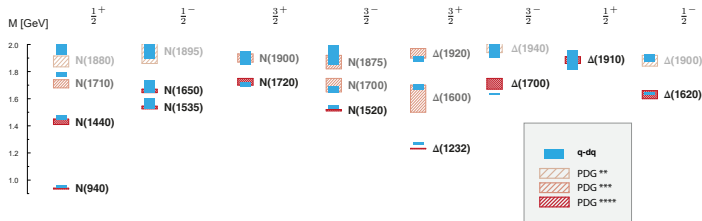
GE, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz, PRD 94 (2016), GE, FBS 63 (2022)



Diquark correlations

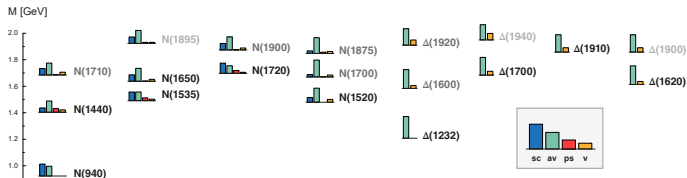
Light baryon spectrum

GE, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz, PRD 94 (2016)



Diquark content:

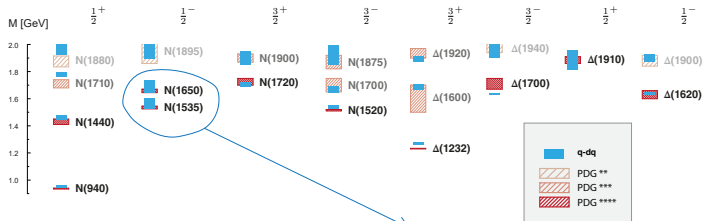
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Diquark correlations

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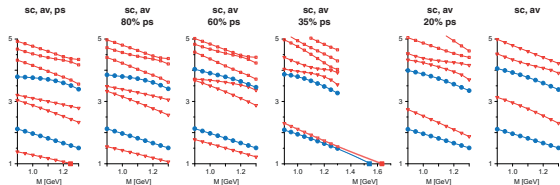
RL, all diquarks:
"N(1535)" too low

"Beyond RL":
N(1535), N(1650)

RL, sc+av only:
"N(1650)" too high

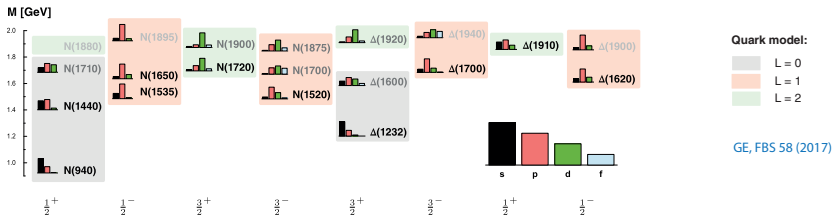
- **Level ordering** determined by diquark dynamics
- Diquarks are not pointlike, also here **rich spectrum!**

Barabanov et al., PNP 116 (2021)



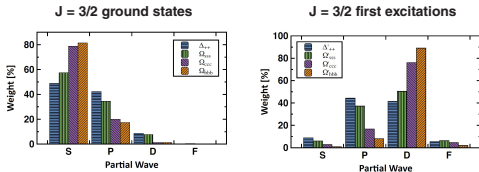
Relativistic effects

Orbital angular momentum: clear traces of nonrelativistic quark model, but strong relativistic effects (in some cases even dominant)




Relativistic contributions
even up to bottom baryons!

[Qin, Roberts, Schmidt, PRD 97 \(2018\)](#)



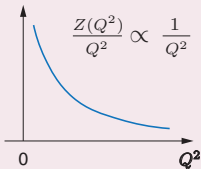
Towards ab-initio

Gluon propagator:

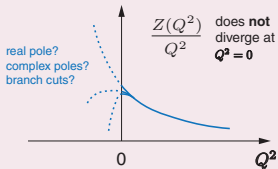


$$D^{\mu\nu}(Q) = \underbrace{\frac{Z(Q^2)}{Q^2}}_{\text{transverse dressing}} \left(\delta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{Q^\mu Q^\nu}{Q^2} \right) + \xi \underbrace{\frac{L(Q^2)}{Q^2}}_{\text{longitudinal dressing} = 1} \frac{Q^\mu Q^\nu}{Q^2}$$

- **Perturbation theory:**
Massless gluon pole



- **Nonperturbative calculations:**
Massless pole disappears!



Family of “**decoupling**” solutions, also seen in lattice QCD

Cucchieri, Maas, Mendes, PRD 77 (2008)
Boucaud et al., JHEP 06 (2008)
Bogolubsky et al., PLB 676 (2009)
Fischer, Maas, Pawłowski, Ann. Phys. 324 (2009)
Duarte, Oliveira, Silva, PRD 94 (2016)
Aguilar et al., EPJ C 80 (2020)

Endpoint is “**scaling**” solution, confinement manifest

Lerche, Smekal, PRD 65 (2002)
Fischer, Alkofer, PLB 536 (2002)
Alkofer, Fischer, Llanes-Estrada, MPLA 23 (2008)

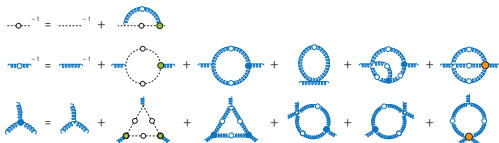
All solutions show **gluon mass gap**

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{d^3Q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{Z(Q^2)}{Q^2} e^{i\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{Q}} \propto e^{-m_{\text{gap}} r}$$

Coupled **Yang-Mills DSEs**

GE, Pawłowski, Silva, PRD 104 (2021)

→ Test confinement in hadron observables!



Truncation error

- Set $Z_{3g} \rightarrow c Z_{3g}$... quantifies deviation from STI (without truncation: $c = 1$), same effect from “over-renormalizing” 3-gluon vertex

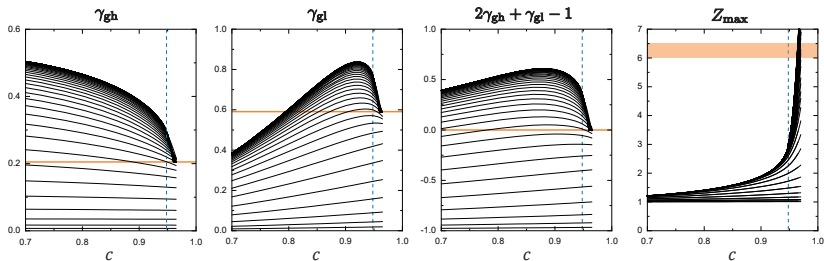
- YM system only converges up to $c_{\max} < 1$

- Anomalous dimensions reproduced for

	1	$c \sim 0.4$
	2	$c \sim 0.9$
	3	$c \sim 0.96$

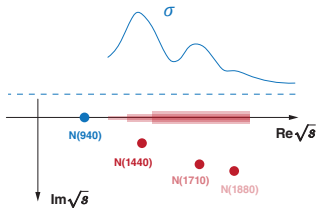
 } \Rightarrow identifies “physical point” for each truncation

GE, Pawłowski, Silva, PRD 104 (2021)



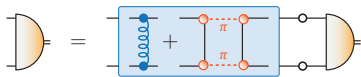
Resonances

- Most hadrons are **resonances** and decay \Leftrightarrow poles in complex momentum plane



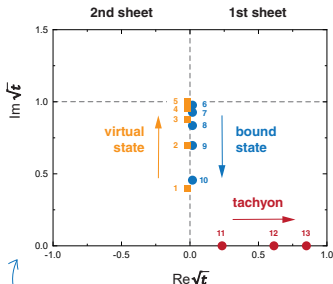
- BSE kernel must include decay channels: ρ meson becomes resonance

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- Contour deformations** as tool to go beyond thresholds

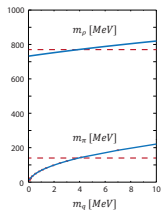
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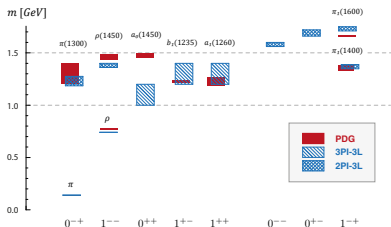
Scattering equation for 4-point function

Mesons

- Pion is **Goldstone boson**: $m_\pi^2 \sim m_q$



- Light meson spectrum** beyond rainbow-ladder

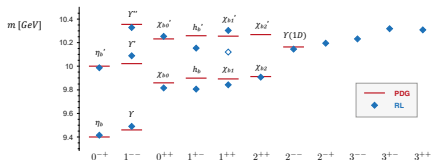


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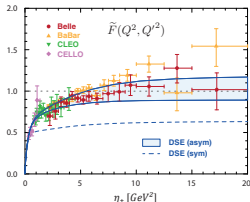
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- Bottomonium spectrum**

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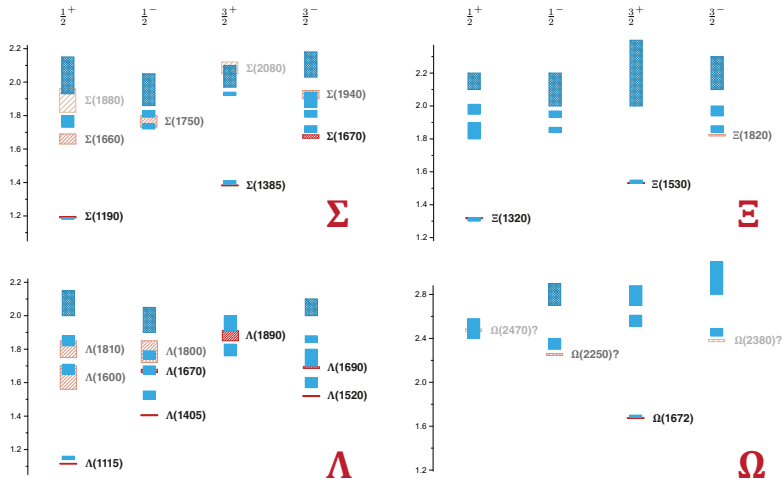


- Pion transition form factor**



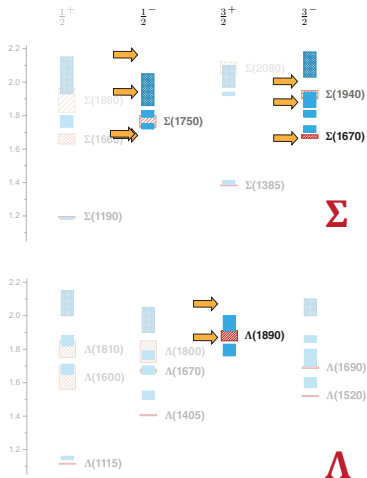
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Strange baryons



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